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There are plans on foot for a new party—a third party. Unless there is to be an improvement in political conditions there is no need for it: we have enough now, such as we have.

Billingsgate is not religion; that it will save souls in the slums is doubtful; that there are souls in Medina to which it will appeal is hard to believe. Whose is the blame for turning the storm loose?

We are told that it will take six years to make the Nation dry, even after it has been nationally effective. Well, that'll keep dry workers employed; and it would be a sad sight to see one of them going without bread.

The Republican politicians, when out of office, are always talking economy. But it all ends in talk; let one of them get into office and he don't know any more about economy than a kitten playing with a ball of yarn does about how the ball was made; even the kitten can play with the ball till the yarn is in a tangle.

The city press is worried because a Viscount is working in a London music hall at \$20 a week. This is an indication that the young fellow has good stuff in him, and that given an opportunity he may develop so that if he ever comes into the title he may measure up to its greatness.

Now that the meetings have closed, and criticism can't hinder the saving of souls, what did you think of the meetings of the past two weeks? How much good did they do, or do you feel that they did any good; or was the influence evil and will it take the local pastor many weeks to neutralize this evil?

Well, the cat is out of the bag at last. Chairman Hay, of the big Republican political organization, has given the U. S. Senators the tip there is to be no ratification of the treaty; that proposition is to be reserved for campaign material thru the coming Presidential spasm. Great patriotism, so to speak.

German politicians declare that Allied insistence that Germany meet her war claims may lead to internal warfare in that nation. Well, suppose it does? It will simply be a natural outcome of the world war which Germany started, and but a part payment for the crimes which that nation can scarce expect to escape.

Every travelling salesman—of the Republican persuasion, and few of any other persuasion are tolerated—has been given his instructions to kick at President Wilson and his policies and at the treaty proposition on the side, till he freezes over. You have to listen but a minute to any travelling salesman these days until he will start in on the diatribe that has been taught him before he started out. The travelling salesman is but a Poll-parrot, he is simply doing the dirty work for his employer. But will it win?

The two old parties in existence when the Republican party was formed were largely controlled by political cliques. It was because of this that the party was formed, and it was because of this that the party became strong. But the "pendulum of time" has swung across the national dial and today we see two or three men in absolute control of the Republican party. The National Committee of that party will have nothing to say in the next national convention as to the Republican platform or policy. A small clique will determine these. How long will thinking Republicans stand for this? They bolted Taft on that very proposition.

This year is to be a strenuous year in politics—National, State and county. The country will be flooded with literature; some good, some bad, some indifferent. Read what you think is worthy your attention, but digest all that you read. Much Republican literature will be bad; it is intended to be, it has been prepared with that in mind; don't be deceived by it. When a bunch of literature is put into your hands that is intended to disgust you with the Administration look for facts that prove its truthfulness; if it is simply declaratory, without facts to back it up, it is best to accept it as bunkum; there'll be bushels of it but it isn't worth the paper it is printed on. If, however, it carries facts with it, digest it whether it is Republican, Democratic or carries with it labor's side of the story.

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THE LAW OF GOOD AND EVIL.

It is a law of nature that when an individual or organization sets in motion a movement for good that almost immediately the evil influences in the world—often characterized as the Devil—sets in motion a counter movement for evil. Then, too, as soon as the Devil sets in motion a movement for evil the good influences—often characterized as God—sets in motion a movement for good. This continues ad infinitum, one influence striving to offset the evil or good—as the case may be—of the other, and in this way there is always a strife between good and evil.

Thinking men declare that while this is bad enough, and a hard drain on the good influence, there is a more subtle evil working in the world, and an evil harder to meet and combat. This is the institution of what on its face is a good movement, calculated to bolster up and aid good influences but in fact detracts from a major good influence, thus dividing the good influence and making it much easier for the evil influence to combat the major good influence.

The second good influence, if we may so characterize it, in this way becomes an influence for evil; it becomes such because it divides the major influence for good, and in doing this minimizes its power for good, and in the same degree increases the effectiveness of the influence for evil.

With this, as with many another organization or institution, the power for good or evil is comparative. An influence for good is effective in proportion to its environs, or to the influences that are working with it or against it. So, too, with an influence for evil. A major influence for good, then, does a vigorous work for good in proportion to whether it is given aid or hindrance; in proportion to whether the agencies presumably working with it aid it or detract from its effectiveness.

The church is without doubt an influence for good. And it can well be characterized as a major influence. Why, then, must certain people always strive to organize and affiliate with a counter movement, one which is supposed to aid this great work but which in reality minimizes its influence and power? No one who will stop to study this proposition for a few minutes but must recognize this as a menace to good, and few but that can visualize some such movement that has come to their knowledge.

We will not at this time name any one of the movements that we have in mind, for to do so might lead people to think we had a bone to pick. But those who are interested in securing the best possible results in the strife for good should study this question for themselves and consider if a "house divided against itself" can hope to accomplish great good in the world? If the church is a good institution—which it undoubtedly is—why all these make-shifts that are to carry one part way to heaven? Is it the thought of these people that when one gets a good start he may be able to jump the rest of the way?

One editorial writer sizes up the present Legislature and its work by saying that it was a leaderless body; because it was Republican in complexion it refused to follow the leadership of Gov. Cox, and had no one among the Republicans fitted for leadership. So its members wandered about in the fog, got no where, did nothing worth while, and are leaving State business in a mess.

PRESS COMMENTS

Why not intern the Kaiser in the Peace Palace at the Hague?—N. Y. Post.

Rising prices have evidently adopted that skip-stop system.—Greenville Piedmont.

Personally we are willing to loan our last red to Europe.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

If Congress kicks Berger often enough it may locate his vulnerable spot.—Toledo Blade.

They're calling passenger-liners between New York and Cuba tankships.—N. Y. World.

Perhaps Hoover is ashamed to admit that he's either a Republican or a Democrat.—Columbia Record.

It is reported that Clemenceau is to be married. That man can not accustom himself to a state of peace.—Columbia Record.

The Indians once owned this country, but since they became reservationists just look what has happened to them.—Columbia Record.

The way Holland hangs on to the Kaiser is another proof that there is no accounting for tastes.—Boston Shoe and Leather Reporter.

Those persons who prophesied that it was to be an open winter probably meant that it was to be open to criticism.—Utica Observer.

Just as we get John Barleycorn dead and buried, along comes Sir Oliver Lodge to tell us there is life after death.—Phila. North American.

No one can ever doubt the miracles who sees ministers living on their salary fixed ten years ago, and keeping out of debt.—Universalist Leader.

Nothing makes the Republicans madder than to have the President change his mind, except to have him refuse to change his mind.—Greenboro News.

No doubt it would help Mr. Hoover's young boon if he would find something for housewives to do with all those food-substitutes which have been cluttering up the basement and attic since he sold them broadcast two years ago.—K. C. Times.

Out In Deep Water

Mrs. A.—"You say you kept a cook for a whole month. How in the world did you manage it?"

Mrs. B.—"We were cruising on a houseboat and she couldn't swim."—Boston Transcript.

START SUBSCRIPTION

FOR RUBBER PLANT

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company, and has been spending half of that in further experiments.

After the meeting adjourned the citizens stayed and asked questions, discussed with the promoters the ins and outs of rubber making, and sought for all possible information in a general and specific manner. The Akron guests explained as far as they could without equipment to show inquiries. Much new data was brought out in private inquiries and the audience went home with a wider knowledge of the rubber industry.

The subscription paper will be circulated in a quiet way for a few days after which, if it is finally decided to go ahead and the organization perfected, the work of interesting every body will be taken up in earnest.

OVER \$5,000 OF GAS

PASSES INTO MAINS

The "Big 16" gas well did nobly last month, running considerable over \$5000 worth of "fluid air" into the gas mains serving Northern Ohio customers. Naturally the holders of this well feel jubilant.

A rig for a second well is building and if the weather continues moderate it is expected to start the drill some time this week. If the company gets a second good well "Big 16" stocks will soar heavenward.

CHURCHES

DANCING AND OTHER KINDRED AMUSEMENTS

This is the subject on which I expect to talk next Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Paul's church. What the church is to do in order to meet the social and recreational needs of her young people is a much mooted question. Silence will not answer it nor will bald negation denunciation solve the problem. We must meet this question, and not only that, we must meet it honestly. I extend a cordial invitation to the people of Medina to hear what I have to say on this subject next Sunday afternoon.

REV. CAULK

Church of Christ

10:00 a. m. morning worship; 11:15 a. m. Bible school; 6:00 p. m. Christian Endeavor; 7 p. m. evening preaching service; Thursday mid week prayer meeting at 7:15. The church with a welcome for all. V. S. Goodale, pastor.

Methodist Episcopal Church

Sunday, Feb. 15th, 10 a. m., morning services, baptism and reception of members. Brief sermon by pastor. 11:15 a. m., Sunday school; 8 p. m., organization of Preparatory class; 6 p. m., Epworth League, leader, Raymond Hyde, topic, "China's Everyday World;" 7 p. m., evening service, sermon by pastor, "Rivers of Living Water;" 7 p. m., Thursday evening choir rehearsal. A cordial welcome to all. Wallace H. Bryenton, pastor.

Congregational Church

Sunday, Feb. 1—10 a. m., morning worship; 11:15 a. m. Sunday school; 6 p. m. Young People's Federation meeting; mid-week meeting Thursday 7 p. m. A welcome to all services extended: Wm. J. Drew, minister.

Baptist Church

Sunday service—10 a. m., morning service; 11 a. m. Bible school; 5 p. m. Junior League; 6 p. m. B.Y.F.U.; 7 p. m. evening service; 7 p. m. mid-week prayer meeting Thursday. Rev. A. Irvin, pastor.

St. Pauls Church

Sunday, 10 a. m., morning prayer and sermon; 11:30 a. m. church school. The public cordially invited. Vesper service at 4 p. m. Topic, "Is Medina Going To Hell, or What Shall We Do With Our Young People?"

R. K. Caulk, rector.

MISS LAW'S RESIGNATION WAS PERSONAL MATTER

Not a few patrons and pupils were sorely disappointed when the resignation of Miss Martha Law, civics and history teacher in Medina High, was made public last week. The Sentinel phone was called several times with requests that the Sentinel man do something in the matter; what, no one seemed able to advise.

Miss Law had made many friends in this city, and not a few of her warm friends were among the pupils. The claim, as further set forth, was that she was a most efficient teacher—one that Medina should strive to keep. A few felt as if something out of the ordinary should be done to keep her here, but no one seemed to know just what.

Prof. Conkle says that no one felt more seriously Miss Law's loss than did he; no one felt more keenly her going. But he insists that it was Miss Law's own doing; that he wished her to continue to the end of the year, and that she point blank refused to continue her work if he insisted that she teach six periods. Mr. Conkle has given us the rule of the North Central Assn. bearing on this point, the association with which the Medina schools are affiliated. It reads as follows:

The number of daily periods of class instruction given by any teacher SHOULD not exceed five, each to extend over at least 40 minutes in the clear. The board of inspectors (of the North Central Assn. of Colleges and Schools, to which Medina belongs) will reject all schools having MORE THAN SIX recitation periods per day for any teacher.

Miss Law was teaching five periods and was told she had been assigned one more, making six. She refused to teach the added one; to grant all Medina teachers the five-period work would cost the city \$2500 more a year, and no one knows from whence the money would come, as school finances are worked very close to the danger line as things now exist.

—Mrs. Chas. Brinsmaid died at her home near Mallet Creek Monday at the age of 82 years. She has been a widow for many years and left no children or other near relatives. Funeral services were held from the Congregational church at Mallet Creek Wednesday at 10:30 a. m. Mrs. Brinsmaid left a farm and personal effects, which she willed to relatives and friends.

IS CAUGHT STEALING, SETTLES; SAVES ARREST

The way of the transgressor is hard.—Prov. 13:15.

Grocers about town have made complaint against the loss of little things, picked up by pseudo-customers dropping in for small purchases. In some cases the losses have been trivial in others of considerable amount. These losses have been the lot of more than one merchant; some times people were put under suspicion and at others there was no trace left behind.

One of the greatest sufferers was the grocery firm of Steingass and Bradway. A customer, under suspicion because of his frequent purchases, was finally caught. The stealings were of such small amount that the proprietors did not like to

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